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JTAC-BMV Project

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Indiana Supreme Court's Judicial Technology and Automation Committee (JTAC) and state Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) are working together to help Indiana's trial courts and clerks meet new federal rules requiring faster reporting of serious traffic violations by commercial drivers. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act requires that these major offenses be reported within 30 days in 2007 within 10 days by 2008.

In 1994, these traffic records took an average of more than 53 days to arrive at the BMV. Today, as a direct result of the JTAC project, the average time has dropped to 11 days. If Indiana does not meet the new reporting requirements, the state could lose \$34 million a year in federal highway funds.

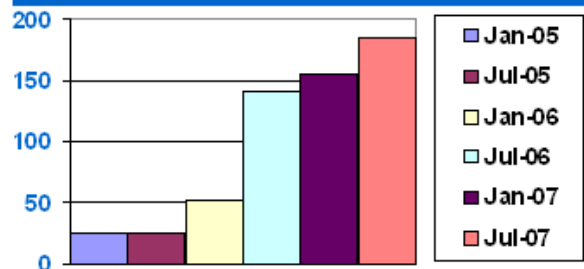
JTAC has developed a secure, web-based application — INCite (Indiana Court Information Technology Extranet) — that allows courts and clerks to transmit this data via the Internet — It is available to all Indiana counties at no cost.

PHASE I

This project is being funded in part with a \$1 million grant from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). The grant was awarded to JTAC to create a system that allowed for the electronic transmission of infraction UTT (Uniform Traffic Ticket) information to the BMV.

These reports may involve a conviction, judgment, or reasons for a license suspension. More than \$600,000 of the grant funds was distributed to courts and clerks in 70 of Indiana's 92 counties for upgrades to existing case management systems, training, new computers, copiers and fax machines.

Five Times the Number of Courts are Sending Electronically



JTAC team has made 478 site visits for one-on-one training sessions

Before implementation of this system, most reports (using a form called an SR16) were sent to the BMV by mail. More than 10,000 paper forms were received by the BMV each week, requiring 20 full-time employees to enter the data into the BMV computer system. Since JTAC created INCite, processing time for SR16s has been cut by two thirds, and the number of courts sending information electronically increased from 30 when the project first began to 201 today—a 670 percent increase!

PHASE II

JTAC was awarded additional grant funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation to continue efforts to allow for even more electronic reporting, increasing efficiency and enhancing the safety of our highways by identifying dangerous drivers.

This new work will focus on allowing courts to transmit more serious traffic violations in real time and to electronically submit the Affidavit for Probable Cause and the Order of Conditional Probation (form SR17). This will ensure that appropriate driving privileges, suspensions, disqualifications and convictions will be posted on driver records in a timely manner as mandated by state and federal law.

JTAC will continue assisting courts who wish to move away from paper-based system, expanding proven technologies and bringing Indiana into compliance with state and federal laws.